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SUBJ: SALE OF C-130S TO ZAIRE

1. PRESIDENT MOBUTU ON 9 MAR 1974 PRESSED AMB VANCE VERY STRONGLY TO ARRANGE FOR THE DELIVERY DATE OF THE THREE C-130S PURCHASED LAST YEAR TO BE MOVED UP INTO CY 74. THE PRESENT SCHEDULE CALLS FOR ONE EACH TO BE DELIVERED IN JANUARY, APRIL AND MAY 1975.

2. LOCKHEED HAS REPEATEDLY STATED THAT THESE ARE THE EARLIEST THE AIRCRAFT CAN BE DELIVERED UNLESS USAF WILL DEFER AND EXCHANGE 1974 DELIVERY DATES WITH ZAIRE.

3. THE PRESENT RATE OF AIRCREW AND MAINTENANCE PERSONNEL TRAINING IS SUFFICIENT TO PROVIDE CREWS TO OPERATE THE THREE C-130'S IN 194.

4. AMBASSADOR ENF ZAMISH CHIEF STRONGLY RECOMMEND USAF ACCOMMODATE MOBUTU ON THIS MATTER PARTICULARLY SINCE WE HAVE HAD TO REFUSE REQUESTS RECENTLY TO SELL ZAIRE CERTAIN ITEMS OF MODERN MILITARY EQUIPMENT.

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